

AREAS IN WHICH THE COMMITTEE TO RESTORE CARBONDALE CITY HALL, INC. HAS ACCOMPLISHED RESULTS IN THE PAST TEN MONTHS:

BUILDING REPAIRS.

1. The tower clock of Carbondale City Hall has been repaired;
2. New electrical wiring has been installed to the sixth level of the clock tower of Carbondale City Hall;
3. New floor boards have been installed around the stairwells on the fourth and fifth levels of the clock tower of Carbondale City Hall;
4. New lancet windows are being installed on the fourth level of the clock tower of Carbondale City Hall;
5. The clock tower of Carbondale City Hall has been secured against pigeons and starlings. Over seven tons of bird manure have been removed from the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh levels of the clock tower of Carbondale City Hall;

REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION.

6. Carbondale City Hall has been officially listed (January 28, 1982) on the Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Buildings;
7. Carbondale City Hall has been formally nominated (June 2, 1982) for listing in the National Register of Historic Buildings;

PUBLICATION OF HISTORICAL RECORDS.

8. While cleaning in City Hall on March 20, 1982, as part of the restoration effort, John V. Buberniak, a member of the Committee, found a carbon copy of A GEOGRAPHICAL HISTORY OF THE CITIES, BOROUGHES AND TOWNSHIPS AND THEIR SUBDIVISIONS IN LACKAWANNA COUNTY COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA. This book, which is not now generally available in libraries, was sponsored by the County Commissioners and written in August 1939 as a project under the Works Progress Administration. Five facsimiles of this important book were produced by Sheffield Publications, Inc., Carbondale, for the Committee, free of charge, and were, on April 2, 1982, presented to the Carbondale Historical Society/Carbondale Public Library, the Lackawanna Historical Society, the Scranton Public Library, the Carbondale Area High School Library, and the Sacred Heart High School Library.

HISTORIC SITE TOURS.

9. Members of the Committee conducted a walking tour (May 29, 1982) of the roadbed of the "light track" of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's Gravity Railroad, from White's Crossing to Panther's Bluffs, and documented, photographically, this historic site.

RESEARCH.

10. Nine articles on the history of Carbondale (a four-part article on the history of Carbondale City Hall, two articles on Memorial Park, two articles on pioneer hose companies of Carbondale, and a biographical portrait of Carbondale's first mayor, James Archbald) were written by the Committee's president, S. Robert Powell, and have been published in local newspapers.

COMMUNITY SERVICE.

11. A city of Carbondale flag was designed by the Committee's president, S. Robert Powell, and sewn by Ann Swindlehurst Powell, in May 1982. This flag was presented to the Honorable Fred J. Mancuso, Mayor of Carbondale, at the Dignitaries' Luncheon, prior to the Fourth Annual Carbondale Pioneer Days Parade on August 28, 1982, that was held in Carbondale Area High School.
12. The Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall sponsored a free lecture and film series, to which the general public was invited, during Carbondale's Fourth Annual Pioneer Days, August 23-28, 1982. This series of illustrated lectures, seminars and films, devoted to the history of Carbondale, consisted of the following programs: Carbondale 1851 by Donald W. Powell; The Early Schools of Carbondale by S. Robert Powell; Dorflinger Glass by Kurt A. Reed; Pioneer Carbondale by Kay and Oliver Shifler; The Canawler (a film about the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's canal); What Is A Museum (a film produced by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission); The Scranton Division of the New York, Ontario and Western Railway Company by Robert J. Tomaine; The Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's Gravity Railroad by John V. Buberniak and S. Robert Powell; Carbondale's Three City Halls by S. Robert Powell.
13. A Carbondale historical marker was restored by the Committee and installed, on September 25, 1982, in the small plot of land between Carbondale City Hall and Sixth Avenue.

WHAT ARE THE COMMITTEE'S PLANS FOR THE NEAR FUTURE?

- ** The Committee is presently soliciting bids for (1) repairs to the roof on the south side of the two-story wing and on the tower of Carbondale City Hall, (2) cleaning of the exterior masonry of Carbondale City Hall, and (3) repair and repointing of the exterior masonry of Carbondale City Hall. The Committee hopes to be able to raise the necessary funds this fall so that the roof on the south side of the two-story wing and on the tower of Carbondale City Hall can be repaired before Winter 1982.